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the U.S. exporter. Is the transfer authorized and may the bank pay against the draft?

Answer. Yes. In accordance with §550.515, the transfer by the Government of Libya to the bank is licensed. The funds are not blocked and the bank is authorized to pay under the letter of credit and reimburse itself from the funds.

(d) *Question.* Prior to 4:10 p.m. e.s.t., January 8, 1986, a foreign bank confirms a documentary letter of credit issued by its U.S. agency or branch for a non-Libyan account party in favor of a Libyan entity. Can the U.S. agency or branch of the foreign bank transferfunds to that foreign bank in connection with that foreign bank's payment under the letter of credit?

Answer. No, the payment of the U.S. agency or branch is blocked, unless the foreign bank made payment to the Libyan entity prior to 4:10 p.m. e.s.t., January 8, 1986.

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§550.418 Payments from blocked accounts for U.S. exporters and other obligations prohibited.

No debits may be made to a blocked account to pay obligations to U.S. persons or other persons, including payment for goods, technology or services exported prior to 12:01 a.m. e.s.t., February 1, 1986, except as authorized pursuant to this part.

[51 FR 2465, Jan. 16, 1986]

§ 550.419 Acquisition of instruments, including bankers' acceptances.

Section 550.209 prohibits the acquisition by any U.S. person of any obligation, including bankers' acceptances, in which the documents evidencing the obligation indicate, or the U.S. person has actual knowledge, that the transaction being financed covers property in which, on or after 4:10 p.m. e.s.t., January 8, 1986, the Government of Libya has an interest of any nature whatsoever.

[51 FR 2465, Jan. 16, 1986]

§ 550.420 Indirect payments to the Government of Libya.

The prohibition in §550.209 on payments or transfers to the Government

of Libya applies to indirect payments (including reimbursement of a non-U.S. person for payment, as, for example, on a guarantee) made after 4:10 p.m. e.s.t., January 8, 1986.

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§550.421 Setoffs prohibited.

A setoff against a blocked account, whether by a bank or other U.S. person, is a prohibited transfer under §550.209 if effected after 4:10 p.m. e.s.t., January 8, 1986.

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§ 550.422 Exportation of services; performance of service contracts; legal services.

- (a) The prohibition on the exportation of services contained in §550.202 applies to services performed:
 - (1) In the United States;
- (2) By an entity located in the United States, including its overseas branches; or
- (3) Outside the United States by an individual U.S. person ordinarily resident in the United States; on behalf of the Government of Libya, or where the benefit of such services is otherwise received in Libya. The benefit of services performed anywhere in the world on behalf of the Government of Libya, including services performed for a controlled entity or specially designated national of the Government of Libya, is presumed to be received in Libya.
- (b) The prohibitions contained in §§ 550.205 and 550.209 apply to services performed by U.S. persons, wherever located:
- (1) On behalf of the Government of Libya;
- (2) With respect to property interests of the Government of Libya; or
- (3) In support of an industrial or other commercial or governmental project in Libya.
- (c) Example: U.S. persons may not, without specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control, represent an individual or entity with respect to contract negotiations, contract performance, commercial arbitration, or other business dealings with the Government of Libya. See §550.517

on licensing policy with regard to the provision of certain legal services.

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Subpart E—Licenses, Authorizations, and Statements of Licensing Policy

§550.500 Licensing procedures.

For provisions relating to licensing procedures, see part 501, subpart E, of this chapter. Licensing actions taken pursuant to part 501 of this chapter with respect to the prohibitions contained in this part are considered actions taken pursuant to this part.

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§ 550.501 Effect of license or authorization.

(a) No license or other authorization contained in this part, or otherwise issued by or under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to section 203 of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, shall be deemed to authorize or validate any transaction effected prior to the issuance of the license, unless such license or other authorization specifically so provides.

(b) No regulation, ruling, instruction, or license authorizes a transaction prohibited under this part unless the regulation, ruling, instruction, or license is issued by the Treasury Department and specifically refers to this part. No regulation, ruling, instruction, or license referring to this part shall be deemed to authorize any transactions prohibited by any provision of parts 500, 505, 515, 520, 535, 540, or 545 of this chapter unless the regulation, ruling, instruction or license specifically refers to such provision.

(c) Any regulation, ruling, instruction, or license authorizing a transaction otherwise prohibited under this part has the effect of removing a prohibition or prohibitions in subpart B from the transaction, but only to the extent specifically stated by its terms. Unless the regulation, ruling, instruction, or license otherwise specifies, such an authorization does not create any right, duty, obligation, claim, or interest in, or with respect to, any

property which would not otherwise exist under ordinary principles of law.

§550.502 Exclusion from licenses and authorizations.

The Secretary of the Treasury reserves the right to exclude any person or property from the operation of any license or to restrict the applicability thereof to any person or property. Such action shall be binding upon all persons receiving actual or constructive notice thereof.

§ 550.503 Imports pursuant to Executive Order 12538.

Petroleum products loaded aboard maritime vessels at any time prior to November 17, 1985 may be imported into the United States if such importation would be permitted pursuant to Executive Order 12538 of November 15, 1985 (50 FR 47527).

§550.504 Certain exports authorized.

All transactions ordinarily incident to the exportation of any item, commodity, or product from the United States to or destined for Libya are authorized if such exports are authorized under one or more of the following regulations administered by the Department of Commerce:

- (a) 15 CFR 371.6, General license BAGGAGE: accompanied and unaccompanied baggage;
- (b) 15 CFR 371.13, General license GUS: shipments to personnel and agencies of the U.S. Government;
- (c) 15 CFR 371.18, General license GIFT: shipments of gift parcels;
- (d) 15 CFR 379.3, General license GTDA: technical data available to all destinations.

§ 550.505 Certain imports for diplomatic or official personnel author-

All transactions ordinarily incident to the importation of any goods or services into the United States from Libya are authorized if such imports are destined for official or personal use by personnel employed by Libyan missions to international organizations located in the United States, and such imports are not for resale.